REGULAR MEETING
ROCKAWAY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
January 18, 2016

The Rockaway Township Board of Education held a regular meeting on Wednesday, January 18, 2016, at 6:02 PM at the Copeland Middle School, Lake Shore Drive, Rockaway, New Jersey.

The following members of the Board of Education were present: Mr. Babcock, Mrs. Brookes, Mrs. Chabala, Mrs. Chirico, Mrs. Maluszczak, Mrs. Salny and Dr. Kurland.

Also present were Dr. Greg McGann, Superintendent of Schools and Jacqueline Storts, Assistant Superintendent.

Motion by Mr. Babcock, seconded by Mrs. Chabala to waive pledge salute, public announcement and public notice until the meeting is reopened.

Public announcement was read regarding the ñOpen Public Meeting Act.ò No Board Member objected to the conduct of the meeting as advertised.

Motion made by Mrs. Chirico, seconded by Mrs. Maluszczak to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that in accordance with the ñOpen Public Meetings Actò the Rockaway Township Board of Education will meet in closed session to discuss matters involving personnel, Student and Administrative issues, the content of said discussions will be disclosed to the public at such time and extent as is required by law.

All present voting yes, motion carried.

The Board met in closed session at 6:03 PM.

Motion made by Mrs. Chirico, seconded by Mrs. Maluszczak that the closed session meeting stand adjourned at 7:30 PM Roll Call Vote, all present voting yes, motion so carried.

The Public Meeting reconvened at 7:35 PM. Present were 50 visitors and one member of the press.

Dr. Kurland reopened the regular business meeting of the Board with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Teacher of the Year Award -presentation
Congratulations to the 2016-2017 Rockaway Township Teachers of the Year!

Birchwood Elementary	Dawn Marchese
Catherine A. Dwyer Elementary	Jennifer Meyers
Copeland Middle School	Vanessa Waxman
Dennis B. OôBrien Elementary	Maureen Millar
Katherine D. Malone Elementary	Kirsten Insinga
Stony Brook Elementary	Kelly Stevens

Motion by Mrs. Chabala, seconded by Mrs. Brookes to open the public session of the meeting.

Show of hands on above, all present voting yes, motion so carried.

No public comments

Motion by Mrs. Salny, seconded by Mr. Babcock to close the public session of the meeting.

Show of hands on above, all present voting yes, motion so carried.

COMMUNICATIONS **Correspondence**

The following correspondence was received for the Board since the last regular meeting:

Dana Taboadela	Re: Special Education
Ardith Collins	Re: Upcoming Events
Denise Blasevick	Re: Phys. Ed. at KDM
Rhonda Walter	Re: Kindergarten Registration

APPROVE MINUTES

Motion by Mrs. Brookes, seconded by Mrs. Chirico to approve the minutes of November 29, 2016.

Roll Call Vote on above, all present voting yes, motion so carried.

Motion by Mrs. Salny, seconded by Mr. Babcock to approve the minutes of January 4, 2017.

Roll Call Vote on above, Mrs. Maluszczak abstained, all present voting yes, motion so carried.

The following information was presented by the Superintendent in his report:
Dr. McGann reported there were no new HIB investigations.

Motion by Mrs. Chirico, seconded by Mrs. Chabala to affirm HIB Case #111 as confirmed, Case #112 as unconfirmed, Case #113 as confirmed, and Case #114 as confirmed.

Roll Call Vote on above, all present voting yes, motion so carried.

Dr. McGann reported on the following:

- January 16 was a professional development day theme was ñOn the road againò with over 30 courses offered and 50 staff members presented.
- Thank you to Angela Brown for providing the Starbucks Coffee.
- Copeland Middle School PTA received a grant from Morris County Arts Council for a wall mural.
- Finalizing dates for PARCC Testing
- Report on 2015-16 PARCC testing to be given on February 15th.
- ñChat with the Superintendentò dates 1/31/17 and 3/28/17 at Copeland Middle School
- Jeanette Ferrante retirement ï we appreciate all she has done.

2. Informational Items:
    - December Fire Drill Report
    - December Enrollment
    - December Nurses Report
    - Field Trips for Approval

The following information was present by the Business Administrator in her report:

- Stony Brook school sign is up and running.
- Dennis B. OôBrien school sign is having a timer issue that we are working on.

Committee Reports – *Committees reorganized*

- Operations Committee Meeting ï January 24th @ 6pm @ Birchwood school
- Education Committee Meeting ï January 31st @5:30

The following actions were taken during the Regular Meeting of the Board:
Personnel
The Superintendent of Schools recommends actions on the following certificated personnel:
Motion made by Mrs. Salny, seconded by Mrs. Chirico to approve the following personnel recommendations.

1. **Employment**

Approve the course, instructor and the individual rate of pay per quarter, indicated on the attached list, for the After School Pay to Play Program, to be held at the Katharine D. Malone School, for the 2016-2017 school year. The rate of pay is as following:

a. Clubs that meet once per week - $350.00 per quarter.
b. Clubs that meet twice per week - $650.00 per quarter.
c. Clubs that meet three times per week - $950.00 per quarter.

Approve the employment of Claudia Armanetti, as a Bi-Lingual Translator, on an ñas neededò basis, effective January 19, 2017 through June 30, 2017. The rate of pay is $45.00 per hour.

Explanation ï Bi-lingual translator to provide Spanish translation to district staff members
for CST evaluations and attendance at meetings.

Approve the employment of David Bishop, Summer Programs Supervisor for the 2017-2018 Summer School Program, effective July 3, 2017 through August 1, 2017. The annual stipend is $3,864.00.

2. **Employment/Substitute Teachers**

Approve the employment of the following county and state certified Substitute Teachers indicated below for the 2016-2017 school year:

Alysia Liuzza Rockaway, NJ	The College of New Jersey, NJ (BA) Certification: State Effective Date: January 17, 2017

3. **Extended Leave of Absence**

Approve an extended leave of absence for Mary Ledyard, a part-time Academic Intervention Teacher, at the Katharine D. Malone School, with pay, effective January 3, 2017 through January 13, 2017. (Mrs. Ledyard is expected to return to work on January 16, 2017).

4. **Leave of Absence**

Approve a leave of absence for Yin Lam, a full-time Psychologist, at the Copeland Middle School and the Dennis B. OôBrien School, with pay, effective January 9, 2017 through January 20, 2017. (Mrs. Lam is expected to return to work on January 23, 2017).

5. **Resignation**

Approve the resignation of Timothy Captain, a leave replacement assignment, at the Copeland Middle School, effective January 3, 2017.

6. The Superintendent of Schools recommends actions on the following non-certificated personnel:

Employment

Approve the employment of Marcelene Bender, as an Administrative Assistant for the 2017-2018 Summer School Program, effective January 19, 2017 through August 4, 2017. The annual stipend is $4,000.00.

Approve the employment of Meredith Lutz, a part-time Staff Assistant, at 17.5 hours per week, for Grade 2, per the studentôs IEP, at the Stony Brook School, effective January 19, 2017 through June 30, 2017. The rate of pay is $16.97 (Step 1) per hour

Approve the employment of JoAnn Maleck, a part-time Staff Assistant, at 17.5 hours per week, in the Kindergarten Class, at the Katharine D. Malone School, effective January 19, 2017 through June 30, 2017. The rate of pay is $16.97 (Step 1) per hour. (Mrs. Maleck is replacing Mrs. Sivakumar).

Approve the employment of Stephanie Wright, a part-time Staff Assistant, at 17.5 hours per week, for office/play/copy duties, at the Catherine A. Dwyer School, effective January 19, 2017 through June 30, 2017. The rate of pay is $16.97 (Step 1) per hour. (Mrs. Wright is replacing Mrs. Walsh).

Perfect Attendance

Approve payments for perfect attendance for the 2016-2017 school year, per the attached list for the mechanics.

Reassignment

Approve the reassignment of Christina Bavaro, a part-time Staff Assistant, at 17.50 hours per week, per the studentôs IEP, at the Birchwood School, to a part-time Staff

Assistant, at 17.50 hours per week, in the Kindergarten Class, at the Birchwood School, effective February 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017. (Ms. Bavaro is replacing Mrs. DeSouza).

Approve the reassignment of Alicia Narcise-Uppal, a part-time Staff Assistant, at 17.50 hours per week, per the studentôs IEP, at the Copeland Middle School, to a part-time Staff Assistant, at 17.50 hours per week, in the Preschool Disabled Class, per the studentôs IEP, at the Dennis B. OôBrien School, effective January 4, 2017 through June 30, 2017.

Approve the reassignment of Claudine Porracchio, a part-time Staff Assistant, at 17.50 hours per week, in the Autistic Class, per the studentôs IEP, at the Copeland Middle School, to a part-time Staff Assistant, at 17.50 hours per week, per the studentôs IEP, at the Copeland Middle School, effective January 3, 2017 through June 30, 2017.

Resignation

Approve the resignation of Beena DeSouza, a part-time Kindergarten Staff Assistant, for the Birchwood School, effective February 1, 2017.

Approve the resignation, due to retirement, of Jeannette Ferranti, a MIS Project Manager, at the Central Office, effective July 1, 2017.

Approve the resignation of Alysia Liuzza, a part-time special education Staff Assistant, for the Copeland Middle School, effective January 16, 2017.

Approve the resignation of Claudine Porracchio, a part-time special education Staff Assistant, for the Copeland Middle School, effective January 9, 2017.

Approve the resignation of Jason Wooster, a part-time special education Staff Assistant, for the Copeland Middle School, effective January 4, 2017.

Roll Call Vote on all above recommendations, all present voting yes, motion so carried.

Curriculum/Instruction

Motion made by Mrs. Salny, seconded by Mrs. Maluszczak to approve the following curriculum/instruction recommendations.

1. Amend approval for Marisa Lutz, a Caldwell University student, to complete Clinical I Fieldwork, during Spring 2017 semester, under the supervision of Tara Rinko, at both Catherine A. Dwyer School and Stony Brook School.

   Explanation: Cooperating teacher is assigned to both schools.

2. Approve Grace E. Logan, a senior at Morris Hills High School, to volunteer as a tutor at C. A. Dwyer School, under the supervision of Michael McGovern, from January 2017-March 2017 for approximately one hour per week, as per District Policy 9180.

3. Approve Gina Parisi and Sandra Blaha to present three (3) Family Science Evenings in January 2017, not to exceed a total of 9 hours of presentation (inclusive of preparation and planning), as per the RTEA contract.

No Public comment.

Roll Call Vote on all above recommendations, all present voting yes, motion so carried.

Administration

Motion made by Mrs. Brookes, seconded by Mrs. Chirico to approve the following administrative recommendations.

1. Approve a parental contract for non-aided subscription busing for the 2016-2017 school year for the following students:

   # 121 - $442.00(one-way drop off)

Morris Hill Regional Transportation Agreement

2. Authorize a joint transportation agreement with Rockaway Township to transport Morris Hills Regional High School students to athletic events and trips from 1/24/2017 through 6/30/2017.

   Explanation: Shared service agreement with the high school.

3. Approve salary and stipends funded with NCLB FY16-17 Grant as follows:

TEACHER	GRADE/POSITION	LOCATION	STIPEND/ SALARY	% FUNDED
Michelle Ertle	Title I Afterschool Aide Sub	DBO	$20.00 HR	100% Title I
Karen McCann	Title I After School Clerk Sub	DBO	$18.23 session	100% Title I
Claudia Armanetti	Title III Afterschool Spanish Teacher	CMS	$975 (3 QTR)	100%TitleIII

Explanation: State requires that salaries/stipends paid with NCLB grant require board approval.

No Public comment.

Roll Call Vote on all above recommendations, all present voting yes, motion so carried.

Finance

Motion made by Mrs. Salny, seconded by Mrs. Maluszczak to approve the following finance recommendations.

1. **Be It Resolved** in accordance with Board Policy 6471 the Rockaway Township Board of Education approves the attached travel expenses as they promote the delivery of instruction, critical to the instructional needs of the district and/or further the efficient operations of the district (see attached).

   Be It Further Resolved, that the travel is educationally necessary and fiscally prudent and is directly related to, and within, the scope of the current responsibilities for district employees and the districtôs Professional Development Plan.

   Explanation: As per statute, boards of education are required to establish a maximum budget for travel and subsistence, the Board may not exceed this maximum.

2. **Be It Resolved** that the Rockaway Township Board of Education approves the Report of the Secretary and Report of Appropriations, and Report of the Treasurer, for the period ending November 30, 2016, and

   Be It Further Resolved that this Budget does not include any unapproved appropriations or moneys.

   Be It Resolved that the Rockaway Township Board of Education acknowledges that Donnamarie Palmiere, Board Secretary, certifies the following statement:

   Pursuant to NJAC 6A:23-2.11(c)(3) and (4), I, Donnamarie Palmiere, Board Secretary, certify that no budgetary line items accounts are over appropriated nor over expended for the period ending November 30, 2016

   Authorize November 2016 account transfers as submitted.

   Authorize payment of the January 2017 bills, as approved by the Finance Committee.

Authorize payment of the December and January Cafeteria bills, as approved by the Finance Committee.

Authorize payment of the December and January Student Activity bills, as approved by the Finance Committee.

Authorize payment of the January After School bills, as approved by the Finance Committee.

Explanation: Statute requires that the Board of Education approve all bills paid by the district. The list includes payment for salaries, purchased services, supplies and equipment.

3. Approve Change Order #004 for installation of new roof guardrail, and re-pipe and install triple duty valves for south wing, in the amount of $12,540.00 for the HVAC Upgrades at Birchwood Elementary School.

No Public comment

Roll Call Vote on all above recommendations, all present voting yes, motion so carried.

Old Business

- Unfunded mandates- update ruled and dismissed both complaints and ruled in favor of the Department of Education.
- Lead results are expected in another week or two.
- There was a packed house at the concert at the high school last night.

New Business

No Public comment.

Motion made by Mrs. Salny, seconded by Mrs. Chirico that the meeting stand adjourned at 8:20 PM. and to return to Executive Session for personnel issues.

Roll Call Vote, all present voting yes, motion so carried.

Motion made by Mrs. Salny, seconded by Mrs. Chirico that the meeting stand adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Roll Call Vote, all present voting yes, motion so carried.

Respectfully submitted,

DONNAMARIE PALMIERE
Board Secretary